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FOR: Process for the Preparation of Tetrazole Derivatives from Organo-
Boron and Organo Aluminium Azides

Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME


Sir:

The Office Action of June 12, 2009 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on September 12, 2009. A two-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$ 490 for payment of the extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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